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Gooding County Economic Overview

Civilian Labor Force (Mar 2022) 8,588 **Unemployment Rate (Mar 2022)** 2.6% Population (2020) 15,772 Median Household Income (2019) \$50,057 Per Capita Personal Income (2020) \$68,597 Poverty Rate (2019) 16.6%

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1. County Demographic Characteristics, 2019

	Gooding County	Gooding County (%)	State of Idaho (%)	United States (%)
Total Population	15,280	100.0%	3,508,734	326,569,308
Race and Ethnicity				
White alone, not hispanic	10,304	67.4%	81.4%	60.1%
Black or African American alone, not hispanic	5	0.0%	0.6%	12.2%
Native American alone, not hispanic	84	0.5%	1.1%	0.6%
Asian alone, not hispanic	140	0.9%	1.3%	5.6%
Hispanic, or Latino (of any race)	4,490	29.4%	12.7%	18.2%
Gender				
Male	7,846	51.3%	50.1%	49.2%
Female	7,434	48.7%	49.9%	50.8%
Age				
Median age	38.6	-	40.5	38.2
Under 18 years	4,164	27.3%	25.3%	22.4%
Over 18 years	11,116	72.7%	74.7%	77.6%
21 years and over	10,614	69.5%	70.6%	73.5%
Over 65 years	2,654	17.4%	15.8%	16.0%
Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and	Over)			
Less than 9th grade	768	5.0%	2.0%	3.3%
High school graduate (with equivalencies)	3,629	23.8%	17.4%	18.2%
Some college, no degree	1,987	13.0%	17.0%	13.9%
Associate's degree	663	4.3%	6.4%	5.9%
Bachelor's degree	1,171	7.7%	12.6%	13.8%
Graduate or professional degree	493	3.2%	6.1%	8.7%
Median Household Income	\$50,057	-	\$59,084	\$64,994

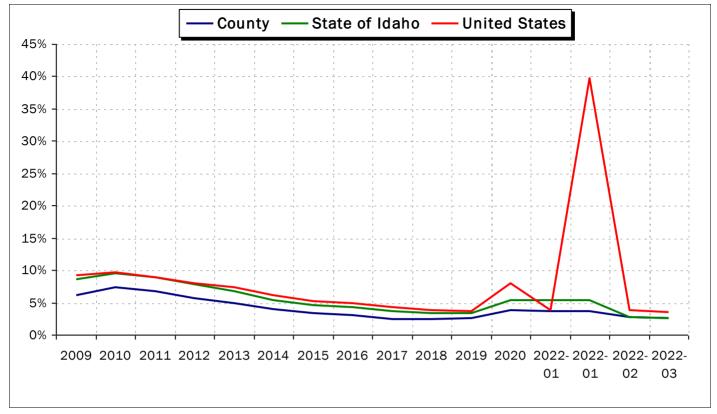
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2019 5-Year Estimates

2. Labor Force

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
March 2022	8,588	8,368	220	2.6%
March 2021	8,405	8,100	305	3.6%

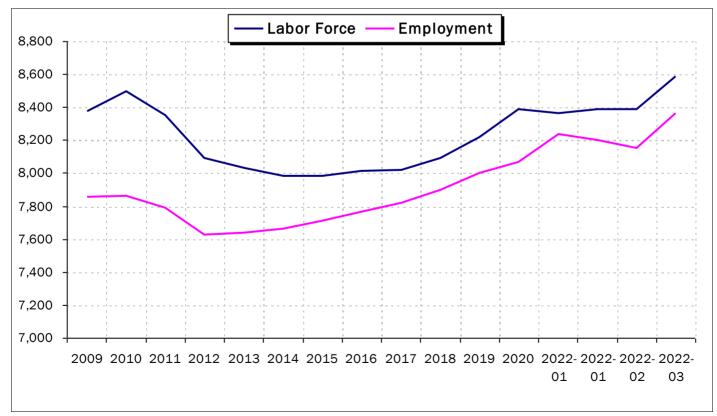
Source: Idaho Department of Labor

3. Seasonally-Adjusted Unemployment Rate, 2009 - Current



Source: Idaho Department of Labor

4. Seasonally-Adjusted Labor Force and Employment, 2009 - Current



Source: Idaho Department of Labor

5. Industry Employment and Wages - 2010, 2019 and 2020

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Supersector	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages
Total Covered Wages	6,172	\$29,333	6,111	\$6,172	6,261	\$40,934
Natural Resources and Mining	2,092	\$28,179	1,819	\$1,929	1,839	\$41,011
Construction	183	\$27,792	253	\$295	326	\$37,893
Manufacturing	762	\$42,070	849	\$891	932	\$54,335
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	980	\$29,523	853	\$795	785	\$36,943
Information						
Financial Activities	105	\$29,124	122	\$100	103	\$43,084
Professional and Business Services	198	\$33,778	161	\$150	149	\$57,640
Education and Health Services	1,055	\$27,382	1,209	\$1,238	1,281	\$41,008
Leisure and Hospitality	309	\$11,498	323	\$327	401	\$15,419
Other Services	133	\$39,810	196	\$125	134	\$53,191
Public Administration	340	\$24,494	316	\$307	294	\$33,348

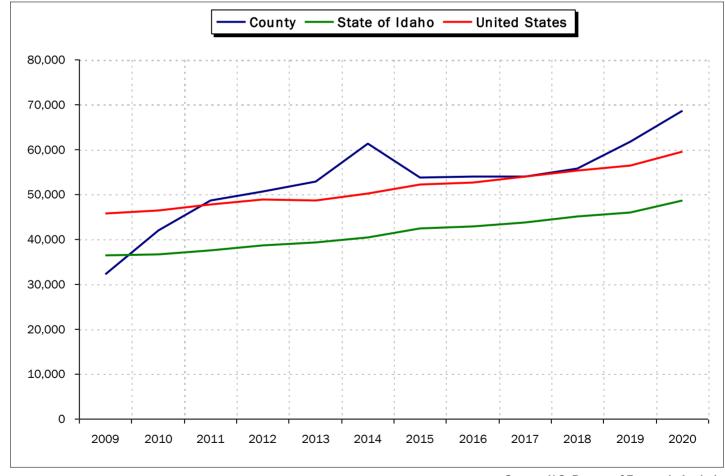
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6. Top Employers, 2020

Employer	Ownership	Range
Glanbia Foods	Private	250 - 499
North Canyon Medical Center	Private	250 - 499
Bettencourt Dairies	Private	250 - 499
Gooding Joint School District	Private	100 - 249
Clear Springs Foods	Local Gov	100 - 249
Wendell School District	Private	100 - 249
Idaho Educational Services for the Deaf And The Blind	Local Gov	100 - 249
Gooding County	Private	100 - 249
Blue Fire Wilderness Thera 202	Local Gov	100 - 249
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NOTE: Only employers that have given the Department permission to release employment range data are listed. Source: Idaho Department of Labor

7. Real Per Capita Income, 2009 - 2020



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

8. Labor Force Commuting Patterns, 2019

It is estimated that 2,790 workers lived and worked in Gooding County in 2019. Another 2,762 workers were employed in Gooding County but lived outside, while 3,513 workers commuted to other counties for work.



Source: US Census Bureau

9. Top 10 Cities Where People Who Work in Gooding County Live, 2019

City of Residence	All Jobs	Percentage
Gooding	748	13.5%
Wendell	418	7.5%
Jerome	383	6.9%
Twin Falls	380	6.8%
Hagerman	140	2.5%
Buhl	99	1.8%
Bliss	62	1.1%
Boise City	46	0.8%
Shoshone	37	0.7%
Idaho Falls	32	0.6%

Note: "All Jobs" includes private and public sector jobs. It also includes a count of workers with multiple jobs. Source: US Census Bureau

10. Top 10 Cities Where People Who Live in Gooding County Work, 2019

City of Employment	All Jobs	Percentage
Gooding	846	13.4%
Twin Falls	715	11.3%
Wendell	451	7.2%
Jerome	433	6.9%
Boise City	340	5.4%
Hagerman	163	2.6%
Meridian	91	1.4%
Nampa	75	1.2%
Buhl	74	1.2%
Hailey	70	1.1%

Note: "All Jobs" includes private and public sector jobs. It also includes a count of workers with multiple jobs. Source: US Census Bureau

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